

TARC Minutes 20260209

Members present were as follows:

KN4VZR, KF4DGS, AC4RW, KG4MPU, KQ4IWH, KQ4IWR, KQ4HJL, AA1AL, KC5NMB, KE4USL, AE4AL, N4FJB, K4DOT, N1SCS, AG4H, W5LNX, WQ1H, N4UFE, KR4HBX, WX5GLK, KR4IQD, N4CFX

KN4VZR gave an overview of the meeting agenda for tonight.

AC4RW gave the financial report.

AA1AL gave the net report. Our net checkin numbers are very good, quite a few more than this time last year, and we are seemingly continuing to grow. We've had checkins from all of Tuscaloosa's surrounding counties other than Pickens, so if you know anyone from Pickens, please encourage them to join us.

KN4VZR reminded everyone of the NCS schedule for the next few weeks.

AG4H advised everyone that the April 2026 meeting will be held at the DCH Regional Medical Center Annex. DCH will be providing everyone with BLS CPR instruction. The cost will be \$4.50 for the certification card. We will have a roster to sign at our next (March) meeting – the class is limited to twelve students. The class will be from 6PM until 9PM.

KN4VZR announced that we are looking at doing a Spring “get on the air” event, possibly on April 18th. More info to come at the next meeting.

KN4VZR reminded everyone of the NCS schedule for the next few weeks.

KN4VZR mentioned upcoming amateur radio events, including Birmingham Hamfest coming up on March 7th.

KF4DGS gave an overview of ARES and reminded everyone who's interested to send the ARES form to him.

KN4VZR advised that we had a score of 96 for Winter Field Day. AC4RW advised that it was COLD and not worth doing anything that day.

KN4VZR advised that we are working on a grant proposal for two “go box” kits and walked through a line-by-line description of the proposed grant items. Much discussion followed about budgetary concerns and sustainability and 501(c)3 status and etcetera.

KN4VZR discussed some various amateur radio news topics.

W5LNX will be presenting on VarAC <<https://www.varac-hamradio.com>> at the March meeting.

Meeting adjourned.